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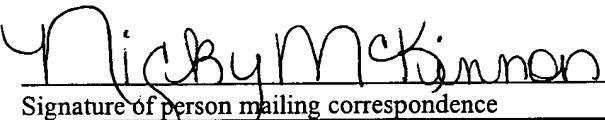
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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action mailed in the above-captioned case on June 9, 2000 be extended for three months to, and including December 11, 2000 (December 9, 2000 being a Saturday).

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